August Golden Nugget Award Recipients

1. Amy Jolly – Alumni Affairs (Area 1)
   “I have known you for a long time and cannot remember EVER-- NOT ONCE ever calling and you not being willing to help or assist me! You have been such a wonderful asset and always such a Joy to work with! Thank you so much for helping me, being kind to me, and for doing this with such a pleasant response!” – Tammy Allman

2. Kimberly Kuhn – Education Abroad (Area 1)
   “Kimberly has been working tirelessly to make sure that her team and programs are as prepared as possible to manage when she goes on leave (which will be no easy feat!).” – Kelly Mannes

3. Lora Bassett – Financial Aid Operations (Area 2)
   “Thank you so much for your suggestion in contacting Angie! I can’t express to you how much she has helped me and what it has meant to be with such a FUN, Friendly and personable person! She has been great and has made this experience so much more enjoyable! YOU’RE the BEST!!” – Tammy Allman

4. Monique Wilson – Registrar (Area 2)
   “In the last couple of months, I took on course scheduling as part of my role in my departments. I am truly grateful for Monique’s training class and how much she gives of her time to help me through all of my questions. Following our initial training, she ensured our class that she is just a phone call or email away. I can't imagine how busy her schedule is during the day, yet she keeps the support flowing! She is responsive with enthusiasm and never frustrated, even when I call her multiple times a day. I thank her for the words of encouragement and positive attitude. She truly shines and is a great example of the kind of team player we should all strive to be! Thank you, Monique!” – Anonymous

5. Joanna Swiggett – ITS CIO (Area 4)
   “Two years ago Joanna was assigned to an IT project involving the library. She executed the assignment brilliantly and helped us navigate a tricky software transition. Since that time, she has continued to be a valuable contact and advisor in many ways. Thanks Joanna!” – Renee Moorefield

6. Judy Vitallo – ITS-Telecommunications (Area 4)
   “Judy is dedicated to her profession and a champion of humanity. She always works cooperatively to achieve our UNCC goals!” – Anonymous

7. Angela Williams – English (Area 6)
   “What a wonderful person with Fabulous Ideas! It was so kind of you to share part of your day with me on several occasions to assist me with my upcoming project. Your creativity and wit are unsurpassed! You have truly been a Joy to work with and such a Team player! I'm so thankful for Lora’s suggestion. Thank you so much Angie for helping me and for doing it so well!” – Tammy Allman
8. **Kimi Tippett – Public Policy (Area 6)**

   “Kimi has been a tremendous asset to the University’s Staff Council as its Treasurer. She has given countless hours of her own time to help develop its budgets and has provided much needed advice and assistance with the Council operations. Thank you Kimi for what you have done for your fellow staff members and for the Staff council Ex Committee.” – Jim Kay

9. **Rodney Dyer – Mosaic Lab (Area 8)**

   “Over the 17 years that I’ve worked with him, Rodney Dyer has come up with many high-tech innovations in our computing infrastructure. He does this regularly and on his own time and initiative. He refuses to settle for average and the word impossible is not acceptable. His work has enabled the faculty, staff, and students of the COE to utilize technology in some amazing ways that other engineering schools can only dream about. While he could have moved on to a bigger, more prestigious position outside of the university, he has made serving the technology needs of the COE his personal mission. I can’t imagine him not being part of our team.” – David Whisler

10. **Earl Smith – Police and Public Safety (Area 10)**

    “Going above and beyond his normal duties, Officer Smith answered a call of a distressed motorist with a flat tire. He graciously offered and took over changing the tire, on that very hot Tuesday afternoon; he did the work with a smile and great attitude!” – Anonymous

11. **Elisabeth Brown – Facilities Management (Area 11) – 2 nominations**

    “Beth Brown goes above and beyond the call of duty. Beth continues to get overwhelming amount of requests for help from our zone in the Building Environmental Department. Beth goes above and beyond and takes the time out to help accommodate our requests, that is related to time sheets, leave balance audits, Kronos questions, and majority of our requests are not related to work performances, which is not Beth’s job responsibilities, however Beth will stop and take time out to help or she will go above to get an answer for any BES Supervisor. Beth makes our job easier to manage and be more efficient at our job. I would like to nominate Beth Brown for going above and beyond her assignment to help our department.” – Katherine Humphries

    “Beth has been (and remains) our FM Champion during the Kronos roll-out. Her patient & polite manner with employees has eased tensions & challenges related to this transition from the paper time keeping system to the new electronic version. She is a pleasure to work with and a definite "plus" for our team.” – Clyde Derberry

12. **Pamela Duff – Facilities Management (Area 11)**

    “Pamela goes above and beyond the call of duty. Pamela has taken time out one on one to help myself and my team with all the new process that have taken place with the Google system, and the Archibus system. I have had difficulty with training a team of 15 employees, my frustrations sometime get over whelming because I myself (Katherine) am also still learning and adapting to the new systems processes, and techniques that have been implemented. No matter how high the demand is for Ms. Duff time, she takes the time out with my team and I. Pamela comes to my office and gives my team and I hands on training. Even after she has gone above and beyond
for my team and me, she calls back and follows up to see if any other assistant is needed. I am so pleased that we have people that truly care for others here at the University.” – Katherine Humphries

13. Antwon White – Recreational Services (Area 17)

“Antwon was part of the Building Services team that helped dispose of a very large pile of trash and waste that had piled up on the Union Loading dock. He did so without complaint and exhibited excellent team work traits and a work ethic attitude to be admired and emulated.” – Jim Kay

14. Shane Williams – Student Union (Area 17)

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